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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FORCING FLOATING POINT  
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 47 pages, including 3 independent claims and 24 claims total.
2. Drawings- 2 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-2).
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Sun Microsystems, Inc.
5. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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Total Claims	24	-	20	4	x \$18	72.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	0	x \$84	
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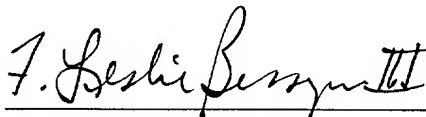
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